# Executive Proclamation
## State of South Dakota
## Office of the Governor

***Whereas***, Red and Bea Westall exchanged their wedding vows on May 20, 1959, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

***Whereas***, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

***Whereas***, Red and Bea gave life and love to five children: Brenda, Maxine, Jeff, Jane, and Mike, and their lives have been further blessed with ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and,

***Whereas***, The early years together found Red and Bea working at various businesses in the community, but they are best remembered for their ownership and operation of Red's Painting and Decorating; and,

***Whereas***, Red and Bea were actively involved in their church and community projects through the Jaycees, and Red committed many years of volunteer service to the Pierre Volunteer Fire Department; and,

***Whereas***, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens as their family and friends join them at an open house on June 6, 2009:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 20, 2009, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State